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Fonthill United Church had a busy two days with the removal of its historic bell on Friday and a busy Homes for the Holidays house tour as a fund raiser for church community projects.

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# Local artists open nine studios to visitors



WAYNE CAMPBELL Staff Photo

Local artists will open up their workplaces to show what they do during the Artist's Studio Tour on Saturday, Nov. 27, and Sunday, Nov. 28. Showing some of their art pieces during a media day Wednesday are: front from left, Kim Makkreel and Divine Mucciante; and back from left, Joyce Berry, Dale Ford, Teye Chanpen Hayes and Pat Hafar. The tour includes 12 stops in Welland and Pelham.

WAYNE CAMPBELL  
PelhamNEWS Staff

**PELHAM** — The fall Artists Studio Tour of a dozen sites will show visitors the work of about 50 artists.

The free self-guided tour from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday will include nine studios in Welland and Pelham.

It will also feature two Fonthill restaurants, Keith's and Cafe On Main, with guest artists along with the Pelham Art Association's Juried Show at the Pelham Public Library.

Pat Hafar during a media event Wednesday said the juried show attracted entries from artists from across Ontario.

"During the tour, you will touch on about 50 artists," she said.

Many at their studios will have work under way so visitors can see then in action as well as look at where they work.

"People like to see what you're doing," said Kim Makkreel, who does pastel and pencil art.

She said you do make sales during the tour, but you also find people come back later.

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## ■ BOOKS: Spreading message through the year at the library

### Fire department donates four fire safety books

**WAYNE CAMPBELL**  
PelhamNEWS Staff

Fire prevention office Saskia Holditch wants to spread her message of safety throughout the year.

"We want the availability of fire safety information not just be limited to one week a year, fire prevention week," she said.

Each year during fire prevention week at the beginning on October, firefighters visit the library as well as schools around the town.

Firefighters encourage children to know the basics of fire safety and carry the message home to parents.

On Thursday, Holditch donated four fire safety books to the Pelham Public Library.

"By checking them out the children will have year-round access," she said.

"They will also help parents who may not be aware of such things as setting up an escape plan from the home or checking alarms," she said.

The four books are designed for children of different age groups.

Say Safe! Fire Safety by Sue Harralough is for ages two to six. With colourful artwork and simple text, children learn important fire safety rules and how to react in the event of a fire.

Arthur's Fire Drill by Marc Brown for nine to 12 year olds teaches beginning readers about fire drill with the well-



WAYNE CAMPBELL Staff Photo

Pelham fire prevention officer Saskia Holditch reads one of four books Pelham Fire Department has donated to Pelham Public Library, during a story time session in the library's children's department Thursday.

known characters Arthur and his sister D.W.

Holditch said it's a good book for young children to understand fire drills at school where they are held three times each spring and each fall. It will also encourage drills at home.

No Dragons for Tea by Jean E. Pendziwol and Martine Goubail is a rhyming story for parents to read to children or have older children of ages nine to 12 read for themselves about fire safety.

Stop, Drop and Roll by Margery Cuyler features a

teacher discussing fire safety rules and student Jessica, who gets nervous. Is her family ready in case of an emergency? Jessica's worries spark action at home, she muddles the mantra until her brother's birthday candles set off a false alarm; 10 safety tips are listed on the back. It's for ages four to eight.

Library director Stephanie Stowe said she appreciates the donation of books and works closely with the fire department.

"We have worked together for quite a long time," she said.

Young library users look forward to the annual visits by firefighters to the story hour during fire prevention week.

"They enjoy dressing up like firefighters," she said.

Fire Chief Scott McLeod said "It is important to learn fire safe behaviour at a young age."

"The schools usually run programs on fire safety and they hold their mandatory fire drills, but it is especially helpful if fire safety is also advocated at home."

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## ■ ART

### Social and friendly event

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"When you display at the big shows, people don't come back because they can't find you."

The tour attracts people interested in becoming artists but don't know where to start. Dale Ford, whose studio is a glassworks for stain glass windows, said he doesn't sell much during tours because most of his work is by commission.

He does, however, develop contacts and enjoys answering questions about what he does and how he does it.

"It's a very social and friendly event for the artists," he said.

Toye Chappan Hayes, who does acrylic paintings of landscapes and cultural themes, similarly likes talking to visitors.

"Parents bring their children to show them what art is and how it's made," he said. "We have a good mix. A young girl came with her grandparents."

Fine art photographer Divino Mucianite said the tour gives him a chance to show the techniques he uses to create his photographs.

For watercolour artist Joyce Berry, who will be a guest exhibitor at Hafar's Welland studio, the tour is a new experience.

"I'm quite excited about it" said Berry.

Hafar said the fall tour was set up after the success of an annual Spring tour.

"It gives visitors a chance to do some holiday gift shopping or at least get ideas," she said. "For the artist, it's an opportunity to break out of the usual isolation."

Artist studios in the tour are Dale Ford, 21 Glen View, Welland; Dr. Z. Horky, 172 Parkway Pl., Welland; Pat Hafar, 106 Crest Pl., Welland with Darlene Monroe and Joyce Berry; Divino Mucianite, 552 Memorial Dr., Fenwick with Paul Charette; Mary Ellen Walker, 421 Canboro Rd.; Toye Chappan Hayes, 405 Canboro Rd., Ridgeville; Kim Makkreel, 346 Canboro Rd., Ridgeville; Beverly Sneath, 1341 Effingham St., Ridgeville, with Lenka Kamenicky; and Maria Cozzi, 1139 Effingham St., Ridgeville.

Fonthill's Cafe On Main at 1455 Pelham St. will feature artist Anne-Andet Gironx, who owns a restaurant at Pelham St. and Regional Rd. 20 has Mary Powley's work.

The Pelham Public Library has a display of Pelham Art Association's the juried art show. The library is in Pelham Town Square in Fonthill.

Brochure with maps of the tour are at the restaurants and library as well as the studios.

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■ **WORSHIP:** Carillon system will summon worshippers

## Fonthill United Church lowers historic bell



Wayne Campbell Staff Photo  
Jean Shantz and project co-ordinator George Dewar give thumbs-up to the removal of an 1863 bell from the steeple of Fonthill United Church.

■ **FUNDRAISER:** Home set up like art gallery

## Good weather gives Pelham's holiday house tour a boost

**WAYNE CAMPBELL**  
PelhamNEWS Staff

PELHAM — A steady flow of people buying tickets for the 7th annual Homes for the Holidays house tour kept organizers excited Saturday.

In the lobby of a Fonthill United Church, they handed out tickets with maps and house descriptions. They also guided visitors to the hall downstairs for coffee and the church's secret recipe scones.

"This could be a record year," said co-chair Carolyn van der Sluis about the fundraiser for the church's community projects.

"The weather is good, we can be happy about that," she said.

The tour of six homes and the church dressed for the Christmas season by local

decorators usually draws between 300 and 350 people.

"We have great community participation and it puts everyone into the seasonal spirit," she said. "That's the best part of it all."

Jane Timmins, who was in the middle of the tour, said "everything is lovely, the colour schemes are so tasteful done".

She congratulated organizers for their hard work.

Donna Drummond of Dunville said she regularly goes on house tours throughout the area although this was the first time she came to Fonthill.

She enjoys the colour selection and seeing what people do with their homes. It does give her ideas for decorating.

Bev Hogue opened her Frank Lloyd Wright style home at 26 Canboro Rd. to

the tour.

"They came to us and asked us to participate" the artist said about how she and her husband were selected.

Hogue has an art studio in the basement and operates a home-based business Belux with her husband selling the lowbrow style art piece. The California style reflects a cartoon influence.

Hogue said her house is set up like an art gallery. Her work hangs on the walls and is displayed on tables to show visitors what it will look like in a home.

The Fonthill artist originally grew up in Fenwick and lived in Hamilton. She worked as a magazine illustrator. She and her husband returned to Pelham a few years ago.

She said she enjoyed showing people the house and

talking about her work during the tour.

Her home was decorated by 181 Floral Expressions in Fonthill.

Other floral decorators were Vermeer's Garden Centre and Flower Shop on South Pelham St. in Welland, Elizabeth's Home Décor of Fonthill, Forever Flowers of Fenwick, in the Village in Ridgville and Beyond the Front Door of St. Catharines.

Floral Dimensions provided table centre pieces for tables in the church. Rice Road Greenhouses has donated poinsettias.

Ticket holders carried their shoes through the homes in plastic bags from Fonthill Sobey's.

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Fonthill artist Bev Hogue opened up her home on Canboro Rd. for Fonthill United Church's Homes for the Holidays and also welcomed visitors into her basement studio.

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a.m. Sunday service, he said. It will also be used on special occasions.

"We played the Last Post at 11 a.m. on Remembrance Day," said Dewar Friday.

Jean Shantz covered the cost of the project as a memorial to her husband Arthur Shantz, a member of the church from 1955 to 2006. The bronze bell made of 80% copper and 20% tin by the Monnelly's of West Troy, New York, was purchased in 1863 by Fonthill Wesleyan Methodist Church for \$110.24, said Dewar. It served the various church buildings as the Methodist congregation evolved into the Fonthill United Church.

The bell was removed by Chambers Crane Rental Ltd., which donated its service, and Verdin Bell Company from Woodstock, N.Y., which is overseeing the restoration.

Regional Sandblasting and Painting of Allanburg will clean up the aging bell before it is returned to the church.

In the lobby, it will join a corner stone of an earlier church building in a display.

Fonthill Wesleyan Methodist Church was founded in 1842 and became part of the United Church of Canada with the merging of some Methodist, Presbyterian and Congregationalist congregations in 1925. The bell along with its support yoke weighed about 1,000 pounds when it was lifted from the church steeple onto a waiting trailer about 11 a.m. Friday.

The bell cost \$110 in the mid 1860s, its value today was estimated at about \$6,000, without taking into consideration its historical value to the church.

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## perspective



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EDITOR

## Construction will pass

Business people along Pelham St. deserve a pat on the back for taking a positive attitude toward construction in front of them.

They are the first to admit business is down. Customers shy away because of the heavy equipment that is tearing up Pelham St. and making access inconvenient. However, rather than complain about the obvious to customers and curse the road crews, they are looking down the road, so to speak.

At a Pelham Business Association meeting last week, Patti Fugan of Cafe On Wheels urged fellow business people to talk about what the street will look like when the work is done. She said they should offer incentives to draw customers now. When they are there, business owners should show them drawings of the upscale atmosphere downtown Fonthill soon will have. Fugan spoke from experience.

She went through the construction work in her other Cafe on Main located in downtown Weyland. She faced a bridge renovation followed by East Main St. reconstruction. Unlike Fonthill merchants, Weyland business operators rattled over the work and roared about the lack of customers. A number went out of business. Many blamed it on the city and the Region who carried out the work to make the downtown a more pleasant place to live and shop. Frankly, the business owners hurt themselves. Who wants to shop in a store or eat in a restaurant where the owner whines?

In contrast, Pelham business people are inviting you to a party next week. Christmas in Pelham on Friday and Saturday will include entertainment in many stores, friendly service and good deals for everyone.

The party stretches from Fenwick, through Ridgewile to Fonthill and North Pelham. In Fonthill, you will find lots of parking behind the stores and on streets near Pelham St.

As a Christmas shopper, pick up a guide and find out what is available in your town.

That can be your pat on the back to an upbeat business community.

## ■ NO CHILD WITHOUT PROGRAM



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Pamela Balah, chair of Lions District A-2 No Child Without Program, receives a \$2,500 cheque from Fonthill Lions Club president Tom Boyce and District A-2 Regional Chair Jim Rohrbach. The Fonthill Lions Club took on the sponsorship of St. Alexander's School for a program called No Child Without, allowing any student from kindergarten to Grade 8 who requires a medical alert bracelet to have one free of charge until they are finished Grade 8.

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## Canada's evolving role in Afghanistan

Our government recently announced the continuing part that Canada will play in Afghanistan after 2011. This decision was not made lightly; pressure from our allies who have been reliant on our contributions to this point was a deciding factor.

The many sacrifices that have already been made by our brave men and women overseas have been felt by Canadians everywhere, and all with the goal of making life better for the people of Afghanistan.

Our combat role in that country is coming to an end. Past 2011, there will be no more combat missions involving Canadian soldiers, and all will be focused on development work carried out in non-combat areas. After 2011, Canadian Forces personnel will be deployed as part of the NATO Training to continue training Afghan National Security Forces in a non-combat role, until March



Dean Allison  
FROM THE HILL

2014. Canada will provide up to 950 military trainers and support personnel.

The new role for Canada in Afghanistan will build on the significant progress that has already been made in the areas of security, diplomacy, human rights and development.

To build a more secure, stable and self-sufficient Afghanistan that is no longer a safe haven for terrorists, and exists as a democratic country with respect for human rights is what we are looking to achieve.

As Canada continues to work alongside the Afghan people and the international community, we will continue to play an important role in supporting efforts toward a better future for

all Afghans.

Our new non-combat role will focus on four key areas: investing in the future of Afghan children and youth through education and health; advancing security, the rule of law and human rights; promoting regional diplomacy; and delivering humanitarian assistance to the Afghan people.

Since this mission began, Canada, along with our international partners, has helped to train and mentor about 50,000 Afghan troops.

The post-2011 non-combat training mission will further contribute to the goal of preparing Afghans to assume responsibility for their own security.

This chapter in Canada's engagement will also include contributions aimed at improving the lives of Afghan women, as well as support to the G-8 Initiative on maternal, newborn and child health.

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## ■ Pelhamletters

### House tour was another incredible success

Well, the 7th annual Fonthill United Church's "Homes for the Holidays" Christmas house tour was another incredible success. We sold the most tickets ever for our event - 390 tickets!

People from the Pelham area as well as from all over the Niagara region and elsewhere, came to our community last Saturday.

The weather was perfect this year: sunny and spring-like temperatures. No doubt this encouraged people to purchase tickets on the day.

Visitors spoke enthusiastically about the beautifully decorated homes and the friendly, courteous volunteers in the homes and refreshment areas. Many guests were veterans of house tours in other communities, and they commented favourably on the presentation and execution of this event and endorsed it by saying they would return in future years.

The Church and the six beautifully decorated homes were the focus of activity. J&J Floral Expressions, Vermeers Garden Center and Flower Shop, in the Village, Elizabeth's Home Décor, Forever Flowers, and Beyond the Front Door outdid themselves this year - the homes were uniquely decorated to complement the home owners' décor and visitors left with new ideas to translate into their homes.

Floral Dimensions' centerpiece gracing the tables in our refreshment hall were attractive, easy to care-for succulents. Poinsiettas donated Rice Road Greenhouses provided the traditional red color as backdrop to the festivities.

Special thoughts contributed a delectable chocolate table for a random draw. As well, Sobey's provided all the plastic bags for our visitors to carry their shops in at each home. The bake sale table, featuring our specialty scones, sold out within a couple of hours.

The enthusiasm of all the volunteers including congregational members and friends of the Church and the guests touring our homes overwhelmed us. The local media excelled themselves and supported our fund raising efforts immensely.

A special thanks is extended to the decorators, the sponsors and to The Log Cabin Gift Store, Cox Home Furniture, and Pittesse Interior Design for selling tickets.

This was truly a community effort and we extend a most sincere thank you to you, as a donor of the Pelham News, but also to the community at large.

Carolyn van der Sluis  
Fonthill



■ BUSINESS: PBA looks into the future

# Pelham St. shops told to stay upbeat with customers

WAYNE CAMPBELL  
PelhamNews Staff

PELHAM — Downtown Fonthill businesses feel the pinch of road reconstruction work in front of their shops, offices, restaurants and stores.

However, they plan to remain upbeat.

"We must present a positive front to our customers," said Patti Fagan owner of Cafe On Main during a Pelham Business Association meeting in her restaurant on Pelham St. Wednesday.

"Sure our numbers are down," she said. "But we must look at the renovations as good for the community. We are really, really excited when we look at the benefits of the end result."

Downtown Fonthill is undergoing a major street reconstruction. It will bury overhead power lines, provide new roadway and sidewalk layout along with underground sewer and water services.

"To attract customers during the work, some stores and restaurants have specials.

Leigh Atherton of Zest Restaurant, for example, is offering a "construction reduction" of 25% off lunches.

Customers are being guided to parking behind stores and municipal lots in town square. Businesses are helping each other.

Gary Accursi, a member of the PBA executive and town

councillor elect for Ward 2, told members "to pray to the weather gods" so the project can keep moving along.

The work on burying the hydro lines is "very, very near complete" and the overhead lines will be down in the new year.

The first hard surface of pavement will go down in mid-December, he said.

Accursi handed out copies of a designer's drawing of the new Pelham St. He suggested putting them up in their businesses to show customers the improvements that are coming.

Mayor Dave Augustyn told the PBA work on the north end of Pelham St. between Regional Rd. 20 and Broad St.

will not begin until after the holiday period.

It will allow businesses along it to get through their busy Christmas season, he said.

The mayor said work on a Huls St. reconstruction has reached the stage of new curb work and sidewalks at the north end of the street. The first hard services is expected to go down in the next few weeks.

PBA members were active in the creation of the Community Improvement Plan (CIP). Through it the town and region provide grants and taxation incentives to improve downtown properties.

Accursi said the town has already approved two projects.

One is a new front on Volcano Pizza and the second

a new commercial and residential building as an infill beside Zest Restaurant.

Three other projects are in the design process, he said. There has also been a lot of inquiries at town hall.

"This is a golden opportunity to get grant money and deferred taxes," he told the business group. "We need to see interest from local people to keep it going."

The PBA is in the midst of a Did You Know? campaign to heighten interest of local

businesses.

Profiles of PBA businesses are featured in local weekly newspapers and online through website, Facebook and YouTube.

Bryan Caporice encouraged PBA members to get their Did You Know? items in as quickly as possible so they can be posted online.

Augustyn and Verne Melot of Growth Associates walked the meeting through a long discussion on how to create a long-term vision for the town.

"You should start by asking the question of why we're here," he said about setting up a strategy of community improvement and marketing.

Augustyn said for the town to move forward with will need a broad vision of what it is and hope to become.

PBA president John Wink introduced new members of the PBA, an organization of about 90 businesses from across the town.

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Downtown Pelham business people have put on their hard hats to manoeuvre around pylons. They continue to serve customers with major construction on their streets by taking a positive approach.

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## ■ ALLISON

I think that regardless of our opinions of our military role in Afghanistan, we can all agree that there has been progress made in that country.

The enormous contributions and sacrifices Canadians have made in

all areas of endeavour in Afghanistan over the past decade from security and development to governance and institution building speaks to why it is important for us to finish what we started.

My thoughts and prayers continue to be with the soldiers who are deployed overseas as well as their families who remain here in Canada. It is through their bravery and sacrifice that we are, together with the

international community, building a better future for Afghanistan.

Dean Allison is the Conservative Member of Parliament for Niagara West-Glanbrook, which includes Pelham.

## ■ HOCKEY: At home and on the road

## Busy weekend for Atom Gators

For PelhamNEWS

The Pelham AutoPark SuperStore Atom Gators had a busy, three-game weekend. In the first, they met the Pelham Blackhaws.

The Gators started off quickly with a goal from Reid Murray helped by Noah Wouthuis. Jeremy Pollard added another later in the first period assisted by Murray and Taylor Montgomery.

In the second period, Rowan McLellan found the back of the net helped by Pollard and Tucker Inglis and Nicholas Chambers scored from Murray. Reid Murray struck again in the third with the help of Chambers & Wouthuis, and McLellan chipped in with his second of the game from Dan Durkin and Montgomery.

The Blackhaws kept the pressure on throughout the game but the Gators' defense, Wouthuis, Tristan Barnhart, Dean Coates and Montgomery kept them at bay. Goalie, Nicholas Yioudassiss, stood on

his head to earn his first shut-out of the season in the 6-0 victory.

Later that day, the Gators met Thorold No.1. Again, Reid Murray got off the mark quickly to score from Kayla Egerton and Nicholas Chambers. Thorold responded and tied the score at the end of the 1st. In the second period, both teams added two goals to the scoreboard.

For the Gators, Dan Durkin flipped one past the goalie with the help of Rowan McLellan and Murray hit his second of the game from Tucker Inglis and Noah Wouthuis.

The third period was all Gators. McLellan started it off with a beautiful shot that beat the Thorold netminder. Assists went to Durkin and Wouthuis. Later, McLellan scored again from Murray & Wouthuis, and Chambers added a final goal from Jeremy Pollard and Wouthuis. The final score was 6-3 for the Gators.

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# ■ GIVING: Help for needy families

## Fonthill firefighters begin toy and pet food drive Dec. 4

WAYNE CAMPBELL  
PelhamNews Staff

Fonthill Volunteer Fire Association has increased the number of drop off points to include Pelham library branches for its toy and pet food drive.

The 21st annual drive to collect toys and pet food for needy families begins Saturday Dec. 4 and continues to Sunday, Dec. 12. The toys are used by Pelham Cares when it makes up its Christmas bampers packages for families.

Organizer Capt. Rod Richards said for the third year the drive has expanded to include pet food for pets of needy families.

"Pets are part of the family," he said. "They help keep love."

The pet food drive had a good introduction the first year, and increased by quite a bit the second year, he said.

Ted Bertie, executive director of the Weland and District Humane Society, said the food is always a high bid.

"This has been a tough year for dogs and cats turned into the shelter," he said. It even has a November sale on for dogs.

The firefighters program has also led to an increase in food donations through the year, he said. Richards said the toy drive attracts a good selection



WAYNE CAMPBELL Staff Photo  
Fonthill Volunteer Fire Association will launch its 21th annual Community Christmas Collection on Saturday, Dec. 4, for it will collect toys and, for the third year, dog and cat food for pets of needy families. From left are: Lt. Bob Cullen holding Dante, executive director Ted Bertie of the Weland and District Humane Society, and Capt. Rod Richards with Casey in the box.

of toys for younger children but teenagers come up short.

In addition to new toys, the firefighters receive gift cards and movie admission cards.

Toys and food can be dropped off at Pelham Fire Station No. 1 on Hwy 20 W., Fonthill library branch, Pelham Town Hall, TD bank, Meridian Credit Union, Fenwick library branch, CIBC bank and Royal Bank in Fonthill and Fenwick.

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■ **REGION:** Pelham regional councillor for seven years wants a promotion

# Baty seeks Niagara Region chair's job

**MATTHEW VAN DONGEN,**  
QMI Agency

Brian Baty worked in eight of Niagara's 12 municipalities over 34 years as a principal and teacher.

Now, the Pelham regional councillor wants to work for all of them at once.

Baty formally announced his intention to seek the regional chair's job last, joining a not-so-public race to replace outgoing regional council leader Peter

Parington.

Regional councillors will gather Dec. 9 to select a new chair from among up to eight potential candidates, most of whom have yet to publicly declare they want the job.

Baty, a two-term regional councillor, emphasized his "team-building and communication skills" in pitching himself as a "strong leader" for the sometimes-fractious 30-member council.

He pointed to past experience negotiating the mine-

fields of school closures and amalgamations.



Brian Baty

"My goal is to be a strong team leader, and my past speaks to that ability," he said.

Baty also highlighted his chairmanship of the council organizational review com-

mittee, which allowed him to visit other regional governments to examine best practices across the province.

He said he's "not bothered" by the potential for council to debate thorny issues like changes to the regional governance model, but added he would focus "first on reducing duplication and finding efficiencies" in government.

For example, he wants council to streamline water and sewage delivery services and create a "seamless" trans-

it service for Niagara.

Baty said he would be the first south Niagara chairman, if elected, and added one of his priorities would be to pursue Niagara's "grow south" strategy.

Other top priorities under his leadership, he said, would include:

- \* create a "legacy project" for the War of 1812 celebrations by working with Parks Canada to open up the old military lands in Niagara-on-the-Lake;

- \* revisit the contaminated water issue in Wainfleet;

- \* replace the Niagara-on-the-Lake sewage treatment facility and aging Burgoyne Bridge in St. Catharines.

Baty was principal of E.L. Crossley Secondary School when he retired from education. He became Pelham's first regional councillor after the seat was created just before the 2003 municipal election.

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■ BATY

# Field of candidates still uncertain

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Should he become regional chair, Pelham town council has the options of appointing a replacement or calling a

byelection, the costs of which would be borne by the Region of Niagara.

Former Niagara Falls MPP and rookie regional councillor Bart Maves is the only

other public contender for the job, although at least six other current and former councillors are considering throwing their hats in the ring.

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■ **COUNCIL:** About 50 entries

# Elementary students help town design greeting card



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About 50 greeting card designs from Pelham elementary students were spread across a table in the Pelham town council chambers.

A team of judges lead by Mayor Dave Augustyn walked around the table and sorted entries according to design, colour and age.

For the fourth year, the town invited local students to submit designs for the Town of Pelham's official greeting card.

"It's a nice way for us to feature the excellent art work of the young people in the community," he said.

About nine of the designs will appear on the card, but the mayor said all of the entries will be displayed at town hall during the weeks leading up to Christmas.

"We will return the art work to the students so they can take them home to their families," he said.

About 350 to 400 cards will be printed and sent out by the town to various volunteers, town board members, other government bodies and



WAYNE CAMPBELL, Staff Photo

Mayor Dave Augustyn and administrative assistant Tara Druzina from planning and development services look over about 50 entries from school children to the Town of Pelham's Christmas card design contest. Winning entries will be used on the town's greeting card.

people to whom the town usually sends greeting cards.

The winning students are expected to be introduced to town council at its Dec. 13 town council meeting, he said.

The mayor admitted timelines for the contest are tight overlapping Halloween and Remembrance Day. It may

have affected the number of entries.

They are set to ensure time for printing, he said.

Assisting the mayor in the judging were Tina Chivers of The Voice of Pelham, Wayne Campbell of Pelham NEWS, and Tara Druzina, administrative assistant with the town's planning department.

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### ■ HOCKEY

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On Sunday, the Gators travelled to Niagara-on-the-Lake. In an intense game, the Gators found themselves in a 2-0 hole in the third period. Jeremy Pollard began

the scoring for the Gators assisted by Dan Durkin and Tristan Barnhart. Durkin followed up with a nice shot past the netminder helped by Rowan McLellan.

The Gator's defense, Taylor Montgomery, Noah Wouthuis,

Tucker Inglis, Robbie Harper, Tristan Barnhart and goalie, Nicholas Yoldassie, put in an outstanding effort in a very demanding game.

The game ended in a 2-2 tie and an awesome Gator Team effort.

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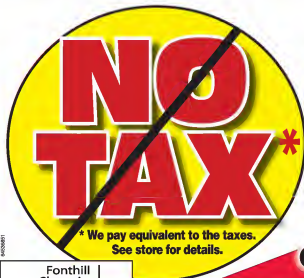
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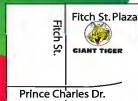
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# sports

■ **HOCKEY:** Panthers lose to Essex in final

## Peewee A/E are finalists at Tillsonburg tournament

For PelhamNEWS

The PeeWee A/E Shoppers Drug Mart Pelham Panthers Rep Hockey Team were the Finalists in the Tillsonburg Hockey tournament on the weekend.

The team was in the A Final for having an undefeated record going into the Championship. The games that led to the final were first; playing Petrolia and defeating them 3-0. Michael Kohl got the shut-out for the team. Nick Damude started off the scoring for the team assisted by Curtis Walton and Theoren Leavens. Pelham's hard

work came with a second goal by Walton assisted by Cooper McIntee and Leavens.

Finally, Pelham's final goal came from Walton assisted by McIntee and Kyle Hoeksema.

The Panther's second game of the tournament started off with a bang against Norwich with two quick goals in the first 40 seconds of the game by Damude and Walton. Assists were from Walton, Cooper McIntee and Aiden Otleby on the opening goals.

Pelham won this game 8-3 all because of hard skating and passing by all players. Jacob Mergl helped with the win by

being on his game in net.

The remaining goals came from Curtis Walton (3 more), Michael Tyler (1), Ryan Hece (1) and Raj Soli (1). Assists were by Theoren Leavens (2), Cooper McIntee (1), Dylan Jones (1), Nick Reifveld (1), Raj Soli (1), Michael Tyler (1), Dawson Chamberlain (1) and David Coyne (1).

Pelham's third game of round robin play was against the dynamic Caledonia team. Again Pelham out passed their opponents with a win of 3-0. Michael Kohl got his second shut-out of the tournament. Again Pelham started off the

scoring in the first 20 seconds of the game by Curtis Walton waiting out front for the perfect rebound that was assisted by Nick Damude and Cooper McIntee. A minute later McIntee scored assisted by Walton and Michael Tyler.

The third goal of the game came in the third period by Kyle Hoeksema with the slip between the five-hole trick, assisted by Aiden Otleby.

The Championship game was against Essex. The top team from each pool faced off for this A Final. The game was scoreless for 1 1/2 periods. Then Essex went ahead by 3 goals. Then Curtis Walton labelled in a blaster from the blue line off the post and in.

However, the fast Essex team captured in the end with a 5-1 win. In this tournament the Panthers had so much to proud of - great heads up



Supplied Photo

The PeeWee A/E Shoppers Drug Mart Pelham Panthers Rep Hockey Team were the finalists in the Tillsonburg Hockey tournament on the weekend. Front row from left are Michael Kohl, Curtis Walton, Ryan Hece, Nick Damude, Aiden Otleby and Jacob Mergl; middle row from left are Ethan Mergl (stick boy), Kyle Hoeksema, Cooper McIntee, Raj Soli, Dawson Chamberlain, Theoren Leavens, Dylan Jones, Nick Reifveld and Michael Tyler and in the back row are coaches Keith McIntee, Neil Jones, Brent Mergl and Jeff Leavens

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## ■ CONTEST

# Fonthill man wins sportscaster contract

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A one-time high school English teacher knew just what to say when a job as sportscasting job was on the line in the final episode of *Drafted 2: The Search for Canada's Next Sportscaster*.

More importantly, Brent Furtney knew just how to say it when a contest that received about 3,000 applications finally came down to a winner-take-all showdown against a contestant from Calgary.

Rather than being "too hung up" on choosing just the right word to impress a panel of four judges with his knowledge, the 26-year-old Pelham native was more interested in making sure that his personality wouldn't get completely lost in the message he was trying to convey in the most high-profile of auditions.

In hopes of delivering as flawless performance as possible, Furtney recalled all of the constructive criticism he received during the steps leading up to the final against Kacie Hollins.

"I have a tendency to stumble over the words, because I want to use just the right word, but I was told not to worry about that. The important thing is to try to get your personality across," Furtney, the Score Television Network's newest talent, told *The Tribune*.

Following each series of challenges that whittled afield of 10 to the final two, Furtney also was advised by the judges to play to his strengths, not to the crowd.

"Don't be too worried about what people think of you. In other words, 'be yourself,'" said Furtney, who will begin working at the Toronto-based network under a one-year deal beginning in January.

His contract, the first prize in a contest sponsored by Score Media Inc. in partner-

ship with Gillette, includes the opportunity to represent Procter & Gamble, the maker of Gillette products, as a spokesman for a year.

Financial terms of Furtney's contract were not disclosed, but the network has the option of renewing his contract, as was the case with Paul Brothers, the winner from season one.

"Brent will be with us for a year and, hopefully, a lot longer," Score Media Inc. communications director Sharon Lassman said Wednesday.

Furtney's role with the network won't begin taking shape until he begins his full-time job. An E.L. Crossley Secondary School graduate who taught high school in Ottawa before moving back home, Furtney will be trained to connect with the network's audience on "across a variety of platforms," including mobile messages, radio, Score.com and, of course, on TV.

"He will have his hand in everything," Lassman said.

Furtney, who earned education and physical education degrees while playing varsity basketball at Brock University, said he can't wait to get started and learn more about all the avenues sports broadcasting can take him.

Thanks to the six-month-long contest, he already has started his ascent along the learning curve by trying his hand at radio for the first time.

"I didn't know anything about it, but I had a lot of fun doing it."

Given the choice, Furtney would prefer to concentrate on the TV, calling the visual medium the "best fit" for his personality.

"I can get my comedy and humour across better on TV," suggested Furtney, who certainly impressed judges with who he was during the contest.

"From Day 1, we saw something in Brent that made us think he had what it takes to make it in this industry," Greg Sansone, Score Media Inc. vice-president for television, said in a story posted on the network's website.

## ■ GIRLS BASKETBALL



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